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TITLE: N-(SUBSTITUTED ARYLMETHYL)-4-(DISUBSTITUTED METHYL)PIPERIDINES AND PYRIDINES

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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This is in response to the Office Action dated April 13, 2006, in which a two-way restriction requirement was presented under 35 U.S.C. §121 and §372. Applicants elect Group I, namely claims 1-36. Applicants respectfully traverse the restriction requirement on the grounds that all of the claims relate to a single inventive concept or technical feature, namely the compounds of Formula (I). Claims 1-12 cover compounds of Formula (I); claims 13-36 cover compositions containing these compounds; claims 37-60 cover methods of using these compounds and compositions containing these compounds. A complete search of any group would involve a search of all the groups. Additionally, this national stage application contains only claims to a product of Formula (I) (claims 1-36) and a process or method of use of said product (claims 37-60). Therefore, all claims have been made to related inventions constituting a single inventive concept or technical feature, namely the compounds of Formula (I).

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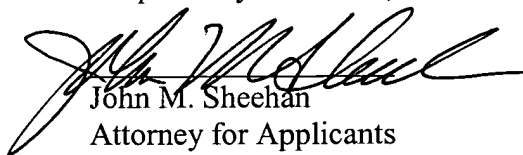
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In addition, as required by the Office Action, applicants provisionally elect compound 395, as shown in Table 1 of the specification as originally filed and the provided structure on the last page of this response, as the single disclosed species. Said election is being made for searching purposes only and should not be construed as a limitation of the compounds of the present invention. Claims 1, 2, 9-11, 13, 14, 21-23, 25, 26, 33-35, 37, 38, 45-47, 49, 50 and 57-59 read on the elected species.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below if the Examiner has any questions or comments.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required, including any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17, for the filing of this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1440.

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Compound 395

